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## EARLY GIFTS TERMED "RESPONSIBLE" BY CHAIRMAN



### DISTINGUISHED VISITOR FROM ISRAEL CALLS ON MAYOR

Professor Andre Chouraqui, former Deputy-Mayor of Jerusalem and now President of its Cultural Council signs the guest book at City Hall as Mayor Ken Fagerly looks on. With them are Michael Karem and Emanuel Shimon, Counsellors, Embassy of Israel; Hy Hochberg, Executive Director, Ottawa

Vaod Ha'Ir; Gideon Polcar, Director for Canada, Israel Government Tourist Office; and Jacie C. Horwitz, O.C. Vice-President, Ottawa Vaod Ha'Ir. Dr. Chouraqui also called on the Mayor of Hull, spoke to a number of audiences and held several press, radio and TV interviews.

### Rabbi Irving Greenberg Speaks In Five Great Men Series Sunday Night

The third speaker in the current Learning for Jewish Living Series co-sponsored by the Centre and the twelve major Synagogues and organizations in the community will discuss "The New Encounter of Judaism and Christianity."

Rabbi Irving Greenberg is slated to speak on Sunday, February 8 at 8:15 p.m. He is regarded as one of the ablest young spiritual leaders in America today.

Associate Professor of History at Yeshiva University and Rabbi of the Riverdale Jewish Centre, he is Chairman of the Centre for Russian Jewry; Member of the Advisory Board of Yavneh; and a Director of the Religious Education Association. He holds a Ph.D. from Harvard.

The personalities who will follow Rabbi Greenberg are Author Elie Wiesel, March 22, "Legends of Our Time"; and Theologian Rabbi Mordecai



Rabbi Irving Greenberg

Kaplan, April 12, "Judaism as a Dynamic Civilization."

It still pays you to buy the season ticket, but if you prefer single admission, by all means come.

### MOSES LOEB MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are invited from graduates of the Talmud Torah school system for the Moses Loeb Memorial Scholarship. This award of \$200.00 is to be granted to a boy or girl who wishes to further his or her education in an institute of Jewish learning outside of Ottawa.

Requests for application forms should be sent c/o Awards Committee Chairman, Ottawa Talmud Torah Board, 453 Rideau Street. No applications will be considered after May 15th, 1970.

### Rabbi Friedberg Leads Purim Tour

Rabbi J. Benjamin Friedberg of Agudath Israel Congregation is leading a three-week Purim Tour to Israel leaving Monday, March 16 and returning Monday, April 6.

He still has a few places left. If you are interested, call him at 728-3501 or 729-2663.

### Exciting Summer Opportunities in Israel Expert Answers Questions Feb. 22 at 11

The man who has all the facts about touring, travel, work and educational programs for young people in Israel this summer is coming to Ottawa on Sunday, February 22 to answer questions.

Shraga Milstein, Canadian Director of the Youth and Hechalutz Department of the Jewish Agency will speak at an open meeting at the Jewish Community Centre at 11:00 o'clock that

morning. Anyone interested can then make an appointment to see Mr. Milstein privately later that afternoon or evening.

Parents and young people are invited to attend. The meeting has been arranged by the Jewish Community Centre and the Embassy of Israel in response to numerous requests for information difficult to obtain from a circular.

### "Singles" Party Thurs., Feb. 19

The "Singles" Planning Committee has announced that the next get-together is scheduled for Thursday, February 19 at 8:30 p.m., in the Psychedelic Lounge of the Jewish Community Centre.

This is the fifth Cocktail Party of the season and over one hundred are expected. Total attendance so far has been 450. To attend, you must be single; over 21 if you are a young woman; over 23 if you are a young man.

The General Chairman of the Community Centre "Burn the Mortgage Campaign" is optimistic about reaching the \$400,000. objective. Speaking to a breakfast meeting on Sunday morning, Ben Achbar said that he was greatly encouraged by the "sense of responsibility" shown by the first group of donors he had approached personally.

Mr. Achbar's sampling included small, medium and large contributors and the way they responded showed that people in all three categories of giving can be counted upon to do their share.

Over \$75,000. has been pledged so far by fifty of the thousand potential donors in the community. This amount is one-third better than what the same people gave to the last six-year campaign in 1963.

While acknowledging that the signs are good, Mr. Achbar was quick to point out that the momentum generated by these early gifts has to be maintained for the objective to be reached.

He referred regretfully to the losses sustained during the past six years through deaths, moves from the city and other reasons. This slack will have to be picked up by others whose fortunes have improved during the same period, he said.

Mr. Achbar's whole philosophy for the campaign is based on the view that people will respond if they are given the facts. This is not a new campaign, he says, but simply the final chapter in a story which began in 1943 with the idea of providing facilities for youth, for Jewish education and for cultural and recreational

activities which we were lacking.

The \$400,000. goal simply represents the \$250,000. difference between the total sum subscribed over the years and the amount spent to build, plus the interest on the debt which will accumulate until the pledges are paid six years hence. Mr. Achbar describes the servicing of the capital debt as a "millstone" around the neck of the institution.

At present rates, interest amounts to almost \$20,000. a year which the Centre has no way of paying out of operating revenue. With the debt cleared up, all kinds of possibilities open up for enriched program services and improved facilities.

The low-key, no pressure approach which is characteristic of this campaign will continue to be employed during the next few weeks as volunteer workers make the rounds of the community.

Pledges are payable in six annual instalments beginning with 1970 and extending through 1975. When divided by six, the \$400,000. goal becomes just under \$67,000. per year. Veteran campaigners maintain that this figure can be reached without too much difficulty if everyone bears his proportionate share of the responsibility.



### THEY TURNED THE FIRST SOD ON NOVEMBER 20, 1949

Lawrence Freiman, President of the Ottawa Vaod Ha'Ir at the time, turns the first sod at the Community Centre building site at Rideau and Chapel Streets on Sunday morning, November 20, 1949. The officers of the Jewish Community Centre who participated in the ceremony are shown with him. From left to right are Bernard M. Alexander, O.C., President; Mr. Freiman; Alex Butcherman, Vice-President; Rabbi Emmanuel L. Lifshitz; and Morris Zagerman, Vice-President. Mr. Butcherman, Mr. Zagerman and Siman Ritt were the original Co-Chairmen of the project.





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Attention all students 17 to 25! Here's an exciting way to spend your summer 1970!

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Direct jet flight from Toronto to Paris where you may spend your first week, or leave from there to see the cities of your choice, returning to Paris at the end of the week when you depart for Israel with the group.

Complete, intensive touring of Israel, plus a month participating in the life on a kibbutz, a short

seminar in Jerusalem and free time on your own to revisit people and places you took to your heart.

Then, return to Paris for an additional few days. Only \$565 for a summer experience you will never forget!

Louis Abrams of Toronto, Chairman of the Tour, will be at the Jewish Community Centre Sunday, February 22 at 3:00 o'clock to meet with prospective applicants. If you are interested, leave your name with Ed Rosenthal at 232-7306.



Sol Sherman

### Young Israel Names Officers

Sol Sherman, one of the founders of the Young Israel of Ottawa has been elected President of the Synagogue. He succeeds Moe Litwack. Serving with Mr. Sherman are Mendel Good, Vice-President; Gerald Snyder, Treasurer; Max Silver, Secretary; Hyman Bessin, Dr. Baruch Dina, Moshe Feig, William Grossman, Isaac Levine and Edward B. Rosenthal, Trustees.

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### Sunday Funday Sleigh Ride February 22

The monthly outings which are a feature of this year's successful Sunday Funday program are eagerly awaited by the children. The February spectacular is a sleigh ride.

On February 22, the entire division will enjoy an outing at a ranch which will feature the sleigh ride and an opportunity to learn about the care of horses and equipment. The children will leave the Centre promptly at 2:00 and return by 4:45.

Ottawa B'nai B'rith in collaboration with The National Arts Centre

presents

### 'THEODORE BIKEL SINGS'

SATURDAY, FEB. 28, 1970

at 8:30 p.m.

Advance sales will help B'nai B'rith projects.

Tickets available at both Treble Clef stores.

Regular prices.

### Arnold Lithwick Named Ottawa J. N. F. Chairman

Arnold Lithwick, a leading Zionist figure who has served the community in many capacities including those of Vice-President of the Ottawa Vaad Ha'ir and General Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, was elected Chairman of the Jewish National Fund Council of Ottawa on January 18. He succeeds to the post held by Hugo Levendel for the past two years.

Serving with him on the Executive for 1970 are Mrs. Isaac Levine, Rabbi Marvin Pritzker, Salomon Stamer and Nathan Zelikovitz, Vice-Chairmen; Irving Lithwick, Treasurer; Morton Taller, Foundation Gifts Chairman; Mrs. Gilbert Greenberg, Blue Box Chairman; Mrs. Moe Slack, Honorary Secretary; and Mrs. Percy Addelman, Secretary.

### Ramah Director Here on Monday

Rabbi Leonard Berkowitz, Director of Canadian Camp Ramah will be in Ottawa next Monday, February 9.

Interested parents and campers are invited to meet him that evening at 8:30 at the Agudath Israel Synagogue, 1400 Coldrey Ave. Slides will be shown.



Ben Achbar, Chairman of the Community Centre "Burn the Mortgage Campaign" reviews figures and prospected lists with Executive Director Hy Hochberg and Executive Assistant Abe Engel.

### Teen Conference in Hamilton Feb. 20-22

Ottawa teenagers 14 - 17 have been invited to participate in an Inter-City Youth Weekend, February 20 - 22, in Hamilton, Ontario. Invitations have also been extended to centres in Toronto, London and Windsor.

The two-day conference will include discussions, folk-singing, tobogganing and a dance with one of Hamilton's top rock

groups. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet young people from Western Ontario.

The Ottawa group will leave on Friday, February 20 at 10:15 a.m. and return Sunday, February 22 at 9:45 p.m. The cost is \$25.00 complete. To register, phone Ed Rosenthal at 232-7306 no later than February 13.

### The Continuing New Series on Teen - Parent Relations

For parents and their teen-agers . . . an open forum for the frank exchange of views and getting along together

with SAUL ROSS, M.A. as discussion leader

### For the Family

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 7:45 - 9:45 p.m.

By special request, a second session on the problems associated with interdating. This time, the implications and problems of intermarriage will also be examined.

### For Girls Only

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 7:45 - 9:45 p.m.

Exclusively for teen-age girls, this session will be devoted to discussion of a variety of topics pertinent to the teenager in our society.

### For Boys Only

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 7:45 - 9:45 p.m.

Exclusively for teen-age boys, this session will be devoted to discussion of a variety of topics pertinent to the teenager in our society.

### For Parents Only

MONDAY, MARCH 2, 7:45 - 9:45 p.m.

This time, parents will have the opportunity to discuss a variety of topics on their own.

### For the Family

MONDAY, MARCH 9, 7:45 - 9:45 p.m.

Is a new structure for the family emerging? What rights does each family member have? What responsibilities does each member of the family have?

Presented as a free Family Life Education service by the Jewish Community Centre / 151 Chapel Street / Ottawa



### HOW'S THIS FOR AN ENCORE?

Hugo Levendel's done it again! The last picture he brought in for our community archives created such interest that he produced another which should have equal appeal. This photograph of Mr. Lieff and his "talmidim" was taken on the

steps of the old Talmud Torah on George St. in the early 30's. How many of today's business and professional leaders can you identify?